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SUBJECT: EC COMMISSION'S REACTIONS TO THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION

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1. SUMMARY: OFFICIALS IN THE EC COMMISSION WARMLY APPLAUD RECENT US INITIATIVES DURING THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION.

THEY ARE PLEASED AT THE COMPLEMENTARITY OF THE US AND EC APPROACHES, AS WELL AS THE UNITY SHOWN BY THE COMMUNITY ITSELF. EAGER TO SUSTAIN THE PRODUCTIVE ATMOSPHERE OF THE NEW YORK MEETING, THE COMMISSION HAS INITIATED INTERNAL WORK ON FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITY. THE QUESTION OF THE ROLE OF THE P/C DIALOGUE AND ITS RELATIONSHIP TO WORK GOING ON IN OTHER FORA IS CENTRAL TO THE COMMISSION'S CONCERN. THE NOVEMBER US-EC CONSULTATIONS WILL PROVIDE THE US WITH A USEFUL OPPORTUNITY TO BUILD ON OUR RECENT LEADERSHIP SUCCESS IN CLOSE AND FULL COOPERATION WITH THE EC. END SUMMARY.

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2. FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSIOON OF THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION THE MISSION HAS CONSULTED WITH EC COMMISSION OFFICALS ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY'S PREPARATION FOR AND PARTI-CIPATION IN THE NEW YORK CONFERENCE. THEIR REACTIONS TO THE MEETING AND THEIR VIEWS ON FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITY ARE SUMMARIZED BELOW.

3. THE US POSITION: THE SECRETARY'S SPEECH HAS, WITHOUT EXCEPTION, BEEN WARMLY APPLAUDED WITHIN THE COMMISSION AS A WELCOME SIGN OF US FLEXIBILITY AND A CRUCIAL FACTOR IN THE SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME OF THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION ITSELF. THE SPEECH, COUPLED WITH THE WORKING PAPER SUBMITTED BY THE US DELEGATION, ARE SEEN WITHIN THE COM-MISSION AS A BREAKTHROUGH ON THE DC SIDE AND OBVIOUS PROOF OF THE CONSIDERALBE DISTANCE THE US IS PREPARED TO GO IN ATTEMPTING TO MOVE THE NORTH/SOUTH DIALOGUE AWAY FROM STERILE CONFLICT TOWARDS PRACTICAL SOLUTIONS.

4. ON SUBSTANCE, THE COMMISSION SERVICES ARE STILL DI-GESTING THE MANY INITIATIVES CONTAINED IN THE US POSITION AND CONSEQUENTLY THEY ARE NOT YET PREPARED TO JUDGE THE ENTIRE PACKAGE IN DETAIL. THROUGH GENERALLY POSITIVE ON THE BROAD ELEMETNS, SOME COMMISSION OFFI-CIALS ALSO EXPRESS SOME CONCERN OVER THE ABILITY OF THE US AND THE OTHER DCS TO DELIVER ON MANY OF THE PROPOSALS. THEY ARE ALSO UNCERTAIN ABOUT CONGRESSIONAL SUPPORT FOR A NUMBER OF THESE ITEMS.

5. ATMOSPHERE AT THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION: OUR COMMISSION CONTACTS ALL FEEL THAT THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION WAS AN OVERALL SUCCESS, ESPECIALLLY WHEN CON-TRASTED TO THE ATMOSPHERE AND RESULTS OF THE SIXTH SPECIAL SESSION. THE RELATIVELY CONCILIATORY STANCE OF THE DCS, LED BY THE US, WAS COMPLEMENTED BY THE STRENGTHENED VOICE OF THE MODERATE LDCS. THE COMMISSION IS PARTICULARLY ENCOURAGED BY THIS DEVELOPMENT IN LDC LEADERSHIP DYNAMICS AND NOTE THAT WHILE HARDLINE ELE-MENTS CONTINUE ACTIVE IN THE G-77, THEY DON'T CALL ALL THE SHOTS ANY LONGER.

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6. COMMISSION CONTACTS (ESPECIALLY HIJZEN AND PHAN VAN PHI) WERE PARTICLUARLY PALEASED WITH THE CLOSE COM-PLEMENTARITY OF THE US AND EC POSITIONS, AND WITH THE GOOD WORKING RELATIONS THROUGOUT THE LONG DRAWN OUT NEGOTIATING SESSIONS. SEVERAL OFFICIALS COMMENTED THAT IT WAS A PARTICULARLY FORTUNATE SET OF EVENTS THAT US AND EC NEGOTIATORS KNEW EACH OTHER AND KNEW

THE HISTORY OF THE ISSUES. THESE CIRCUMSTANCES CONTRIBUTED MUCH TO THE SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME. THE COMMISSION ALSO TOOK CONSIDERABLE SATISFACTION IN THE COMMUNITY'S ABILITY TO "HANG TOGETHER" THROUGHOUT, PARTICULARLY THE SUPPORT WHICH FRANCE AND THE UK GAVE TO THE CONCEPT OF A SINGLE SPOKESMAN FOR THE EC.

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7. FOLLOW-UP: MOST OF OUR COMMISSION CONTACTS EXPRESS KEEN CONCERN THAT THE CONCILIATORY, PRODUCTIVE ATMOSPHERE GENERATED DURING THE SPECIAL SESSION BE MAINTAINED. THEREFORE, FOLLOW-ON ACTIVITY MUST PRODUCE CONCRETE RESULTS. THE INTERFACE BETWEEN THE WORK OF THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION AND THE RESUMPTION OF A BROADENED PRODUCER/CONSUMER DIALOGUE IS SEEN AS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT AND RAISES SOME DIFFICULT QUESTIONS. THE COMMISSIONS ON DEVELOPMENT AND RAW MATERIALS WILL TAKE THE LEAD IN THIS AREA, BUT EC COMMISSION OFFICIALS ARE CONCERNED TO KNOW WHAT THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE WORK OF THESE BODIES WILL BE TO THAT GOING ON IN OTHER FORA. IN PARTICULAR, THEY ARE UNCERTAIN ABOUT HOW TO PLAY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN WORK IN THESE COMMISSIONS

AND UNCTAD IV WHICH WILL BE GETTING INTO MUCH THE SAME TERRITORY.

8. CONVERSATIONS TO DATE HAVE NOT REVEALED ANY "FIXED" VIEWS ON THIS OR OTHER ASPECTS OF THE FOLLOW-ON ACTIVITY, OTHER THAN A GENERAL DESIRE TO SUSTAIN THE COOPERATIVE CLIMATE. WE ARE AWARE, HOWEVER, THAT THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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COMMISSION HAS LAUNCHED AN INTERNAL EXAMINATION OF VARIOUS "FOLLOW-UP" PROPOSALS WITH A VIEW TO MAKING MORE CONCRETE THE SUGGESTIONS IT SUBMITTED TO THE MEMBERS STATES EARLIER THIS SUMMER (REF B). THE DIRECTORATES GENERAL FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS (DGI) AND DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION (DGVIII) SHARE CO-CHAIRMANSHIP OF A COMMISSION TASK FORCE CHARGED WITH THIS ASSIGNMENT. THERE IS CONSIDERABLE INTEREST WITHIN THE COMMISSION TO MAKE SOMETHING OF THIS EXERCISE IN ORDER TO "CATCH UP WITH THE AMERICANS". THERE ARE NO ILLUSIONS, HOWEVER, CONCERNING THE DIFFICULTIES INVOLVED IN LINING UP THE VARIOUS MEMBER STATE VIEWS ON SOME OF THE MORE SENSITIVE ELEMENTS LIKE INDEXATION AND THE "INTERNATIONAL DIVISION OF LABOR".

9. US-EC CONSULTATIONS: OUR COMMISSION CONTACTS STRESSED THE NEED FOR CLOSE CONSULTATION BETWEEN THE US, THE EC AND OTHER DCs AS WE FOLLOW THROUGH ON THE WORK OF THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION. AS THE COMMISSION AND THE EC DEVELOP THESE FOLLOW-UP PROPOSALS, THE US IS IN A PARTICULARLY GOOD POSITION TO BUILD ON OUR RECENT LEADERSHIP SUCCESS TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE IN CLOSE AND FULL CONSULTATION WITH THE EC ON PREPARATIONS FOR THE UPCOMING PRODUCER/CONSUMER DIALOGUE AS WELL AS IN BACKSTOPPING THE WORK GOING ON SIMULTANEOUSLY IN OTHER FORA. THE NOVEMBER ROUND OF US-EC CONSULTATIONS SHOULD BE A USEFUL VEHICLE TO THIS END.
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